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SUBJ: JDL DEMONSTRATION AT USUN

1. AT NOON JAN 15, APPROXIMATELY 12 MEMBERS OF JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE, CAPTAINED BY RUSSEL KELNER, "CHIEF OF OPERATIONS OF THE JDL", ENTERED LOBBY OF USUN. THEY TOOK UP POSITIONS AT PLATE GLASS WINDOW FRONTING ON FIRST AVENUE AND CHANTED JDL SLOGANS IN HEBREW AND ENGLISH. DOMINANT THEME WAS "NOT ONE INCH" PLUS CRITICISM OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

2. KELNER DEMNATED TO SEE AMBASSADOR. HE SUBSEQUENTLY AGREED, IN AMB SCALI'S ABSENCE, TO MAKE HIS REPRESENTATIONS TO POLCOUNS. KELNER AGREED TO DEPART PREMISES IN ORDERLY FASHION AFTER POLCOUNS TOLD PRESS REPS (INCLUDING TV CREWS) THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH USUAL PRACTICE, MISSION HAD HEARD VIEWS

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OF CITIZENS GROUP AND WOULD COMMUNICATE THESE VIEWS TO SECSTATE. KELNER CONFIRMED TO PRESS THAT HE HAD BEEN COURTEOUSLY RECEIVED AND INFORMED THEM FAIRLY ACCURATELY OF REPRESENTATIONS HE HAD MADE. HE AND HIS GROUP THEN LEFT.

3. KELNER'S REPRESENTATIONS TO POLCOUNS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

"WE WILL NOT STAND FOR ANY PRESSURING OF THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT IN THE INTEREST OF TERRITORIAL CONCESSIONS TO ANY ARAB NATIONAL BODIES. ALL TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY ISRAEL BELONG TO ISRAEL BY DIVINE RIGHT. ANY CONCESSION OF LAND WILL LEAD TO ENDANGERMENT OF THE ISRAELI PEOPLE AND TO CONTINUED WARFARE. ISRAEL MUST LIVE, AND NEVER AGAIN CAN THE JEWISH PEOPLE ALLOW THEMSELVES TO TRUST THOSE WHO ARE DETERMINED TO DESTROY ISRAEL."

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